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**MAR 22 2015**

Mr. Matthew G. Whitaker  
Foundation for Accountability and Civic Trust  
1717 K Street NW, Suite 900  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: MUR 6916  
Foundation for Accountability and  
Civic Trust ("Complainant")

Dear Mr. Whitaker:

On March 15, 2016, the Federal Election Commission reviewed the allegations in your complaint dated February 18, 2015, and found that on the basis of the information provided in your complaint, and information provided by respondents, there is no reason to believe Catalist and the Respondent Committees violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116, 30118, or 30119 by making or receiving prohibited in-kind contributions in the form of data and analytical tools; no reason to believe Catalist, NGP VAN, and the Respondent Committees violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116 or 30118 by making or receiving prohibited or excessive in-kind contributions in the form of coordinated communications; and no reason to believe Catalist or the Democratic National Committee violated 52 U.S.C. § 30125 by soliciting, receiving, or directing funds that were not subject to the prohibitions, limitations, and reporting requirements of the Act. Accordingly, on March 15, 2016, the Commission closed the file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66,132 (Dec. 14, 2009). The Factual and Legal Analysis, which more fully explains the Commission's findings is enclosed.

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**Daniel A. Petalas**  
**General Counsel**

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**Enclosure:**  
**Factual and Legal Analysis**